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SUBJECT: THIRD-COUNTRY MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO LAOS

REF: STATE 082288

1. THE U.S. IS THE ONLY COUNTRY PROVIDING MATERIEL TO NON-COMMUNIST MILITARY FORCES IN LAOS. UNDER THE TERMS OF THE PROTOCOL TO LAOS CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT AND THE GENEVA ACCORDS OF 1962, THE FRENCH MAINTAIN A MILITARY TRAINING MISSION IN LAOS. THE EIGHTY-MAN MISSION HAS A BUDGET OF APPROXIMATELY \$275,000 PER YEAR. IT ORGANIZES AND CONDUCTS MILITARY TRAINING FOR 278 RLGAF OFFICERS AND NCO'S PER YEAR AT FIVE SCHOOLS IN LAOS:

- A) MILITARY ADMINISTRATION SCHOOL-80 STUDENTS
- B) MILITARY ACADEMY PREP SCHOOL-50 STUDENTS
- C) OFFICERS' CANDIDATE SCHOOL-30 STUDENTS
- D) COMMAND AND STAFF SCHOOL-70 STUDENTS
- E) FRENCH LANGUAGE SCHOOL-48 STUDENTS

ALSO, 70 LAO MILITARY ARE TRAINED IN FRANCE EACH YEAR IN

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WIDE VARIETY OF SPECIALITIES.

2. ALL TRAINING CONDUCTED AS A PART OF U.S. MILITARY  
ASSISTANCE IS COORDINATED WITH THE FRENCH MILITARY MISSION  
TO ENSURE THAT THERE IS NO DUPLICATION OF EFFORTS. RE-  
LATIONS BETWEEN U.S. AND FRENCH MILITARY MISSION ARE CLOSE  
AND THERE IS NO SENSE OF COMPETITION BETWEEN THE TWO.

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